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Fatent Attorney's Docket No. <u>004900-148</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re P	atent Application of						
Evelyn	e PRAT et al	Group Art Unit: 1754					
Applica	ation No.: 08/765,901	Examiner: S. Hendrickson,					
Filed:	January 7, 1997	Confirmation No.: 6723					
For:	CONCENTRATED SUSPENSION) PRECIPITATION SILICA, METHODS) OF PREPARATION AND) UTILISATION OF SAID SUSPENSION)						
	AMENDMENT/REPLY TRA	ANSMITTAL LETTER					
	nt Commissioner for Patents igton, D.C. 20231	•					
Sir:							
En	closed is a reply for the above-identified p	atent application.					
[]	[] A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.						
[]	A Terminal Disclaimer and the [] \$55.00 (2814) [] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.						
[]	Also enclosed is/are						
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.						
[]	Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$375.00 (2801) [] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).						
	[] Applicant(s) previously submitted _ is requested.	_, on, for which continued examination					
[]	Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.						
[]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.						
[]	No additional claim fee is required.						
[X]	An additional claim fee is required, and	is calculated as shown below:					

AMENDED CLAIMS							
	No. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE		
Total Claims	32	MINUS 25 =	7	× \$18.00 (1202) =	\$126.00		
Independent Claims	6	MINUS 3 =	3	× \$84.00 (1201) =	\$252.00		
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (1203)							
Total Amendment Fee							
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee							
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT							

- [] A claim fee in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
- [X] Charge \$ 378.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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